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Federal funding for the physician primary care rate increase for services announced in the July 31, 2012, provider information bulletin, Volume 35, No. 3 <a href="http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pdf/bulletin35-03">http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pdf/bulletin35-03</a> 2012jul31.pdf, ended January 1, 2015. The primary care rate increase will still be available for claims with dates of service on or before December 31, 2014.

The payment amounts for the identified physician primary care services provided January 1, 2015 and after will revert to the regular rates reimbursed by MO HealthNet. Please reference the on-line Fee Schedule located on the MHD website at <a href="https://dssapp3.dss.mo.gov/FeeSchedules/fsmain.aspx">https://dssapp3.dss.mo.gov/FeeSchedules/fsmain.aspx</a> for the MO HealthNet allowable fee per unit.

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MO HealthNet Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One for the red or white card.

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